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### A Weekly Review of News, Books and Public Affairs

### THE VISITOR'S BACKGROUND

A number of my listeners and correspondents are asking about Nikita Khrushchev. Generally, they say: We don't like to see him come here. But since we seem to be stuck with the visit, we would like to know something about him what is his background, how did he come to power, why is he called a murderer and a butcher, and so on?

Here, in brief outline, is the story of the Red boss. Khrushchev is now 65 years old. Therefore, at the time of the Communist Revolution in Russia he was in his early 'twenties. Although he was a smart and extremely ambitious young man, he had little or no education. He worked as a millhand in the Ukraine, the great wheat-producing province of Russia. He did not become a communist through idealism or study. He was terrifically ambitious and the way to get ahead in Soviet Russia was to join the ruling party. He has been a party regular ever since.

When Stalin came to power in Russia, and began his

starvation, banishment and murder of the farmers in the Ukraine - in order to force them into collective farms he found a willing henchman in the ambitious Khrushchev. In 1938. Stalin made him his Red chief in the Ukraine. Khrushchev directed, in that single year, the murder of an estimated 400,000 men, women and children. From then on. he remained in Stalin's favor and rose to higher posts in the Communist Party. However, when Stalin died six years ago, Khrushchev was still somewhat in the background. Malenkov became premier. But within two weeks, Khrushchev grabbed his post as head of the Communist Party - which put him in the really key spot in Red Russia.

Then he began getting rid of all possible opponents all those who might stand in the way of his reaching complete power. Beria, the head of the Secret Police, was killed. Malenkov. Molotov. Zhukov and others were banished. Khrushchev made Bulganin premier. Then he banished him, leaving himself in supreme command. That was two years ago. But even before that, in 1956. Khrushchev ordered the Red Army into Hungary and personally directed the massacre of Hungarian civilians who were fighting for a little measure of freedom from the barbarous Red rule of Moscow. This is the man the President invited to our shores, and to whom he will pay a return visit.

### RAIDS ON YOUR POCKETBOOK

For the fourth straight month in succession, the costof-living index has hit a new high. This is hardly news. I suspect the American housewife knew about it before the government statisticians got around to releasing the figures. "Cost-of-living" is one of those economist's phrases which does not have much meaning - except, perhaps, to certain labor-union members

who get an automatic raise every time the index goes up. But its real meaning is brought home to every American each time he, his wife and his family go into a store to buy food, clothing, shoes, furniture — or when they pay the rent or running expenses on their homes. Then they discover that the good old American dollar, which was once the soundest piece of

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currency in the world, has been steadily losing its value. It takes more and more dollars to buy less and less of the necessities of life to say nothing of the luxuries. This is what is known as inflation. And it is an extremely dangerous situation. because if it is not stopped it can get completely out of hand. In fact, it can reach fantastic proportions. The classic example is that of Germany after the First World War, when it took a bushel basketful of German money to buy a daily newspaper.

There is only one way to stop the rise in the cost of living - the inflation - which bedevils us today. That is to stop government borrowing and spending. And the only way to stop borrowing and spending by the government is to get the government to quit meddling in all sorts of outrageous schemes and enterprises in which it has no business — in which it engages in complete defiance of the Constitution of the United States.

Nowhere in the Constitution is there any authority for the federal government to borrow and tax and spend in order to supply goods and services to nations all over the world. Yet the President who talks a great deal about the dangers of inflation recently endorsed still another of these foreign giveaway schemes. It is something called the International Development Association. It is supposed to start out with a billion dollars - that's just the beginning - and will make loans to so-called backward countries. These will be what are called "soft" loans. This means they will be loans which none of the other international handout bureaus will touch, because they are too risky even for them. In other words, they won't be loans at all, but gifts of your money. Or rather I should say they will be gifts of your children's and grandchildren's

money. The federal government is already heavily in debt. In spite of all the taxes it grabs from you each year, it can't meet its expenses. So in order to make more handouts to backward countries, it has to borrow more money.

In order to realize what this means, here are a few big, but very important, figures compiled by Congressman Passman of Louisiana. All of the so-called free nations of the world (67 of them) have a combined public debt of 185 billion dollars. Soviet Russia and her captive countries have a combined public debt of nearly 51 billion

dollars. Add those two figures, and the combined public debt of all the countries in the world outside the United States is 236 billion dollars. But the public debt of the United States - just one country - is 285 billion dollars, or 49 billion dollars more than the combined debt of all other countries in the world. But we, which means you - the American taxpayer are the chief financiers of at least eight separate funds and bureaus which are scattering American dollars to the four corners of the earth. And now the President wants to add still one more.

### WHO WILL BE LEFT?

This is part of the story behind that dollar of yours. which buys less and less each day. Another part of the story is that the federal government - again in defiance of the American Constitution - is running business enterprises in direct competition with private industry. And as is always the case in government-run business, it is run at a loss - a loss made up by you, the American taxpayer. For instance, the government is in the banking business. It has more than

one hundred bureaus carrying on various kinds of banking functions. It is also in the electric-power business. Forty years ago, governmentowned power plants produced less than one-half of one percent of our electricity. Today they produce 25 percent and always at a loss.

And don't forget the army of bureaucrats you must support to carry on all these unconstitutional activities. Since the turn of the century employment in privately-run industrial and commercial

enterprises has increased about 100 percent. But the government bureaucrats -federal, state and local - have increased by 650 percent. Today, one out of every six working Americans is on a government payroll.

If this doesn't stop, we

are going to be faced by an unanswerable question. It is: Who is going to be left to pay the taxes to support the government workers - and make up the losses of the government-run enterprises and handouts?

- John T. Flynn

Foregoing items covered in Mutual network broadcast 8/30/59

### Book Review

### TO CLOSE THE FAUCETS

THE FAILURE OF THE "NEW ECON-OMICS" by Henry Hazlitt, 480 pages, VanNostrand, Princeton, N. J., \$7.50.

Would that this book had been written, and read, 20 years ago. It might have saved us much of our present national distress. Particularly, we might have been spared a current deficit which is the greatest in our peacetime history, a national debt fast approaching the 300-billion mark, and an inflation which steadily eats away at our incomes.

The "new economics" is Keynesian economics. John Maynard Keynes was an Englishman who, in 1936, came up with a weird conglomeration of mathematical formulas and theories designed to prove that money needs no standard of value, that saving (thrift) is a lot of nonsense, and that the government can insure perpetual prosperity by taxing, borrowing and spending without limit.

It was America's bad luck that Keynes' cockeyed theories fell like manna from heaven on the slaphappy gang of world remodelers which surrounded Franklin D. Roosevelt and his New Deal. For all their cocksureness, they and their glamorous chief were well into their second term in office without having

made a dent in the depression they had promised to solve. All they needed was Keynes' theory of endless government spending - and something to spend on. The European War, which turned into World War Two when FDR entangled the U.S. in it, fell nicely into their laps.

Thus we took off on a wild binge which continues to this day - with Keynesian economics now taught in many of our colleges. But the inevitable hangover is beginning to make its appearance, and it promises to be a lulu. This is therefore a good time to read and ponder Mr. Hazlitt's devastating analysis of the Keynesian theories. He dissects Keynes page by page, paragraph by paragraph - in highly readable form. When he is through, there is nothing left - nothing except, as Mr.

Hazlitt says and proves, technical gobbledegook, nonsense, shallow waters and backward thinking about economics, not "forward" or "progressive" as our modern liberals would have us think.

Perhaps the most important point made by Mr. Hazlitt is this. Keynes advocated government spending for its own sake, without let or hindrance, in periods of depression. But he figured without the politicians. Once we put into their hands the power to spend, they refuse to give it up even in boom times. We open the faucets, but we can't count on the politicians to close them. Either we close them ourselves - or the politicians wreck our system and the freedom which is its integral part.

- Rosalie Gordon

### PERSISTENCE PAYS OFF

The House Un-American Activities Committee got so many requests for Edward Hunter's testimony on "Communist Psychological Warfare (Brainwashing)" that it ran out of a big printing. It also ran into a blank wall when it tried to print more. But the demand for copies kept up. Finally, the Government Printing Office printed a new edition. If you were one of those who were unable to get a copy, you can get one now. Send 15 cents to U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

### RECOMMENDED READING - AUGUST BEST SELLERS

CONGRESS AND THE AMERICAN TRADI-TION by James Burnham (\$6.50).

A thought provoking study of the declining power of Congress from its glorious beginnings under the Constitution. Presents the original principles of American government, weighs the current position of Congress, and realistically views its future. A book for every serious student.

HOUSE OF SECRETS by Gordon Young (\$3.75).

The brave fight against communism in Russia told by a famous British war correspondent. The whole story of NTS - National Alliance of Russian Solidarists - an underground organization operating behind the Iron Curtain, led and run by Russians. Ultimate objective: Counter revolution. Proof that the dream of freedom can never be wholly eradicated.

I LED THREE LIVES by Herbert A. Philbrick (\$1.49).

The story of nine years' service as an unpaid counterspy for the FBI in the ranks of American communism. All the elements of an exciting detective story, plus a frightening picture of the workings of the Red underground. Excellent gift material in hard-cover reprint at \$1.49 - and for those who still believe the fable that communism is only another political movement.

THE LIBERATION OF ITALY by Luigi Villari (\$5.00).

A critical examination by a prominent Italian historian of one phase of World War II - the occupation and liberation of Italy. The murder of Mussolini, the activities of the communist partisans and the excesses which followed the liberation are described in vivid detail. May come as a shock to those familiar only with the official version of these events.

THE HERBERT HOOVER STORY by Eugene Lyons (\$5.90).

A truly American saga...the story of a man, self-made and sincere, who spent a lifetime in the service of his nation and humanity. A warmly personal account of the President who got the blame for the Great Depression, was the object of vicious attacks from the New Deal legions, and who rose above the smears of his enemies to become one of the outstanding statesmen of the 20th century.

WAR CRIMES DISCREETLY VEILED by F. J. P. Veale (\$4.00).

Do you know the full story of the Katyn Forest Massacre? Or the biggest hoax of World War II, the great Stalin myth? Or the "warcrimes" trials of soldiers whose offense was to be on the losing side? A fine addition to the list of revisionist books about the war which give facts - not propaganda.

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- John C. Wetzel

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